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ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH

Notification

Ladakh, the 25th of August, 2026

S.O. 250 — In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 10, Section 11 and Section 12 of the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Council Act, 2018, as amended from time to time and read with Section 138 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988), the Lieutenant Governor is pleased to make the following rules to operationalize the "**Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Fund"**; namely: —

1. Short title and commencement. —

(1) These rules may be called the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Fund Rules, 2026.

(2) The rules shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions.—

(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires: -

(a) **"Act"** means the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Council Act, 2018, as amended from time to time;

(b) **"Administration"** means the Administration of the Union territory of Ladakh;

(c) **"Committee"** means the Committee constituted under the rules for proper management of the Fund;

(d) **"Compounding fee"** means a fee collected by the officers authorised under Section 200 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988;

(e) **"Council"** means the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Council;

(f) **"Enforcement agencies"** mean officers of Transport, Traffic, Police and other Departments authorised to exercise the powers of challan under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and applicable Motor Vehicles Rules as extended to the Union territory of Ladakh;

(g) **"Financial year"** means a period of twelve months commencing on the first day of April of a calendar year;

(h) **"Fund"** means the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Fund;

(i) **"Scheme"** means a scheme implemented to achieve the objectives of the Fund; and

(j) **"Union territory"** means the Union territory of Ladakh.

(2) Words and expressions used in these Rules and not defined herein, but defined in the Union territory of Ladakh Road Safety Council Act, 2018, shall have the same meanings as respectively assigned to them in the said Act.

3. Budget Head of Fund and its objective. —

The budget head of the fund shall be as determined by the Finance Department of the Union territory of Ladakh. The objective of the fund shall be for the activities strictly as defined under section 12 of the Act.

4. Accounting, classification, maintenance of Fund and audit. —

(1) The Grant-in-Aid (GiA) shall be released annually by the Finance Department under the Public Deposit Account, for which the necessary classification shall be provided by the Finance Department. The Expenditure shall be debited to the Deposit Head of the account so created;

(2) The accounts of the Fund shall be maintained by the Director Accounts & Treasuries, Union territory of Ladakh, in accordance with the Government accounting procedure applicable to the Union territory;

(3) Reconciliation of the accounts of the Fund shall be carried periodically through the Directorate of Accounts & Treasuries, Union territory of Ladakh in accordance with the Government accounting procedure applicable to the Union territory;

(4) Funds unutilized at closure of the financial year shall not lapse, and shall be provided during the next financial year in addition to the yearly contribution as mentioned in rule 6 of these rules; and

(5) Accounts of the Fund shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India or by such authority as may be authorized by him in this behalf.

5. Transfer of Fund. —

The money shall be transferred out of this Fund to the concerned Head of the Department/Drawing & Disbursing Officer as per the Schemes sanctioned by the Committee.

The expenditure from the Fund shall be incurred in accordance with the General Financial Rules, 2017, the Delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 2024, Government accounting procedures, procurement rules and such other financial instructions as may be issued by the Finance Department from time to time.

6. Sources of Fund. —

The sources of funds shall be the same as defined under section 10 of the Act. The non-lapsable Road Safety Fund shall comprise: -

a) Grant-In-Aid (GiA) from the Union territory Administration equivalent to twenty percent (20%) of the receipts collected by the Motor Vehicles Department and Traffic Police through compounding of traffic rule violations during the previous financial year;

b) Grants/Loans/Advances from Central Government; and

c) Contribution from public/private institutions or voluntary organisations.

7. Fund Management Committee. —

The Administration shall constitute a Committee for Management of the Fund, consisting of :-

1. Chief Secretary, UT of Ladakh…… (Chairman)
2. Administrative Secretary, Finance Department …… (Member)
3. Administrative Secretary, Home Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
4. Administrative Secretary, PW(R&B) Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
5. Administrative Secretary, Health & Medical Education Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
6. Administrative Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
7. Administrative Secretary, Planning Development & Monitoring Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
8. Administrative Secretary, School Education Department (representative not below the rank of Special Secretary) …… (Member)
9. Inspector General of Police, Traffic …… (Member)
10. Administrative Secretary, Transport Department …… (Member-Secretary)

All members of the Committee shall be ex-officio members. The quorum of the Committee shall be six members.

8. Powers of the Committee. —

The financial powers of the Fund Management Committee shall be defined by the Administration with the concurrence of the Finance Department.

9. Conditions for the Schemes to be financed from the Fund. —

Terms and conditions for schemes to be financed from the Fund shall be as follows: -

(1) Selection of schemes shall be made by the Management Committee of the fund under norms as may be determined from time to time by the Administration;

(2) Schemes/Plans shall be completed within stipulated timelines;

(3) Office expenditure of the Lead Agency shall be made from the Fund with the approval of the Management Committee of the Fund;

(4) No amount from this Fund shall be invested for giving loans for earning interest;

(5) The amount sanctioned from the Fund shall be utilised only for the purpose for which it is sanctioned; and

(6) Work permissible under these rules can be done in the entire Union territory of Ladakh.

10. Duties of the Committee. —

(1) The Committee shall meet once in every quarter of the financial year;

(2) The Committee shall review the physical and financial progress of sanctioned schemes;

(3) The Committee shall ensure maintenance of accounts in accordance with rules; and

(4) All proposals and Action Plan shall be placed before the Road Safety Council for the information of the Council.

11. Schemes to be financed. —

Schemes to be financed from the fund shall be as follows: -

(1) Road safety measures:

(a) to Install and maintain mandatory/regulatory, cautionary and informative road signboards, traffic signals and signage as per immediate local needs, in the interest of public safety, wherever it is not possible for other Departments to install/maintain them;

(b) to set up "Road Accident Data Base Management System" for gathering data related to road accidents and for analysis of road accident data to frame policies to reduce road accidents and to take corrective/reformatory measures;

(c) to identify accident prone places/black spots;

(d) to purchase and maintain ambulances, other accessories, salaries of drivers, para-medic staff and expenditure on fuel of ambulances utilised to provide immediate medical relief

to persons injured in accidents wherever it is not possible to incur expenditure by other Departments;

(e) to reimburse expenditure incurred on transportation of persons injured in road accidents to hospitals in case of exigencies;

(f) to purchase and maintain equipment for traffic management and road safety, including cranes and weighing machines/weigh bridges, etc.;

(g) to strengthen driving training systems, set up model driving training schools and driving test tracks and strengthening existing driving license system;

(h) to set up certification centres for checking the fitness of vehicles and issuance of certificates of fitness;

(i) to provide Mobile Testing Equipment for vehicles;

(j) to set up check posts, install weigh bridges and maintain parking areas for impounded vehicles; and

(k) to undertake any measures related to road safety and traffic management which the Committee deems appropriate.

(2) Traffic Education:

(a) to establish traffic education parks;

(b) for the wide publicity of traffic rules;

(c) to organise competitions for imparting knowledge of traffic rules and building awareness about road safety amongst students and the general public;

(d) to prepare publicity material related to traffic management and road safety;

(e) to purchase and maintain equipment related to traffic education;

(f) to purchase publicity vans equipped with audio-video equipment, computers/other accessories to utilise them to impart traffic education to the public at large;

(g) to organise road safety exhibitions;

(h) to organise seminars, workshops, meetings, rallies, competitions and other such programmes related to road safety;

(i) to organize traffic related training for officers/staff of police, transport and Urban Local Bodies; and

(j) to conduct studies to improve traffic management for controlling road accidents.

(3) Traffic Enforcement:

(a) to purchase, operate and maintain modern traffic enforcement equipment; and

(b) to purchase and maintain vehicles.

12. Duties of Member-Secretary. —

(1) The Member-Secretary shall place "road safety Schemes received from Transport, Traffic Police, Health, PW(R&B) or any other Government Department; District Road Safety Committees and NGOs working on road safety or prepared *suo-moto*, before the Committee after due examination";

(2) He/she shall coordinate necessary works related to the successful execution of approved schemes;

(3) He/she shall submit detailed reports of receipts and expenditure from the schemes to the Administration, as may be required from time to time; and

(4) He/she shall ensure maintenance of a separate account of the Scheme in accordance with the rules.

13. Responsibilities for execution of Schemes. —

(1) The Head of the Department concerned shall be responsible for the successful execution of Schemes approved by the Committee. They shall regularly monitor the construction, maintenance and repair of assets/equipment financed from the scheme within their respective jurisdiction. They shall supervise, monitor and review the physical and financial progress of schemes on a monthly basis and send progress reports to the Member-Secretary. Senior most District level Officer of the respective Department shall be responsible for issuing a completion certificate of the scheme within his/her jurisdiction; and

(2) For purchases, the Head of Department concerned shall ensure that all the relevant rules and instructions issued by the Administration from time to time are complied with.

By order and in the name of the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator), Union territory of Ladakh.

Sd/-

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7. Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh.
8. Inspector General of Police (Traffic), UT Ladakh.
9. Chairman, Ladakh Pollution Control Committee.
10. Deputy Commissioner, Leh/Kargil/Sham/Nubra/Drass/Changthang and Zanskar.
11. All Heads of the Departments.
12. Regional Transport Officer, UT of Ladakh.
13. Director, Health Services, UT of Ladakh.
14. Chief Engineer, PW(R&B), UT of Ladakh.
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